IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION



Clerk, U.S. District Court

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

§ NO. 6:20-CR-11

V.

§ Judge JOK JOL

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JENNIFER REBEKAH HAWTHORNE

§ UNDER SEAL

INDICTMENT

THE UNITED STATES GRAND JURY CHARGES:

Count One

<u>Violation</u>: 18 U.S.C. § 1703(a) (Delay or destruction of mail)

Beginning in or about December 2019, and continuing until on or about May 28, 2020, in Anderson County, Texas, in the Eastern District of Texas, the defendant,

Jennifer Rebekah Hawthorne, being a Postal Service employee, did unlawfully secrete, destroy, detain, delay, and open one or more letters and mail entrusted to her and which came into her possession, and which was intended to be conveyed by mail, and carried and delivered by a carrier of the Postal Service,

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1703(a).

Count Two

<u>Violation</u>: 18 U.S.C. § 1709 (Theft of mail matter by employee)

Beginning in or about December 2019, and continuing until on or about May 28, 2020, in Anderson County, in the Eastern District of Texas, the defendant, **Jennifer Rebekah Hawthorne**, a United States Postal Service employee, did embezzle one or

more letters and mail, and articles and things contained therein, and steal and abstract one or more letters and mail and articles and things contained therein, which had been entrusted to the defendant and which had come into the defendant's possession intended to be conveyed by mail and carried and delivered by any carrier, messenger, agent, or other person employed in any department of the Postal Service,

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1709.

Count Three

<u>Violation</u>: 18 U.S.C. § 1701 (Obstruction of mails generally)

Beginning in or about December 2019, and continuing until on or about May 28, 2020, in Anderson County, in the Eastern District of Texas, the defendant, **Jennifer Rebekah Hawthorne**, did knowingly and willfully obstruct and retard the passage of the mail, in that she did unlawfully keep and maintain letters and other mail matter in her private vehicle and her personal residence instead of delivering the same to the intended recipients,

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1701.

A TRUE BILL

GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

Date

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NOTICE OF PENALTY

Count One

<u>Violation</u>: 18 U.S.C. § 1703(a) (Delay or destruction of mail)

<u>Penalty</u>: Imprisonment for a term of not more than five years; a

fine not to exceed \$250,000, or both; and a term of

supervised release of not more than 3 years.

Special Assessment: \$100.00

Count Two

<u>Violation</u>: 18 U.S.C. § 1709 (Theft of mail matter by employee)

<u>Penalty</u>: Imprisonment for a term of not more than five years; a

fine not to exceed \$250,000, or both; and a term of

supervised release of not more than 3 years.

Special Assessment: \$100.00

Count Three

<u>Violation:</u> 18 U.S.C. § 1701 (Obstruction of mails generally)

<u>Penalty:</u> Imprisonment for a term of not more than six months;

a fine not to exceed \$5,000, or both; and a term of

supervised release of not more than 1 year.

Special Assessment: \$10.00